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In re Application of: HAMMER, Mordechai ✓  
Serial No. : 08/894,211 ✓  
Filed : July 30, 1997  
For : EXTENSIBLE AND RETRACTABLE  
ELEMENTS AND VARIOUS USES FOR THE  
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Group Art Unit 3626  
Examiner: A. Knight

Raanana, Israel  
December 19, 2000

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions to extend the time for response to the Office Action mailed July 21, 2000, setting a three-month period for response, for which purpose there is enclosed herewith a credit card payment form in the amount of \$195.00 to cover the required two-month extension fee, up to and including Thursday December 21, 2000.

The accompanying amendment presents no new claims, and it is believed that no additional filing fee is required.

In the event of an insufficiency or omission in the fee, please contact me immediately so that I may arrange for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward Langer, Atty. for Applicant  
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